

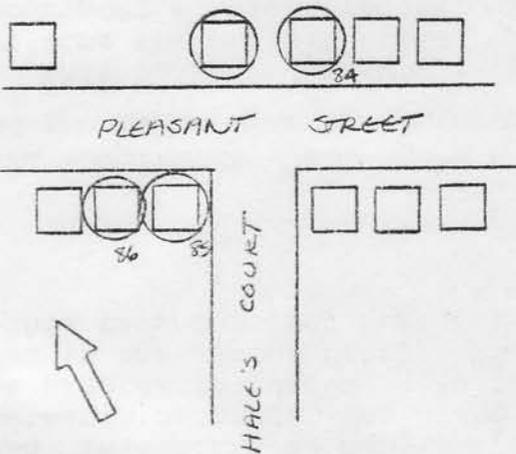
FORM B - BUILDING

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location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



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City Newburyport  
Address 47-53 Pleasant Street  
Historic Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Original Residence  
Present Stores and offices  
Ownership:  Private individual  
 Private organization \_\_\_\_\_  
 Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Original owner Unknown

DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1800  
Source \_\_\_\_\_  
Style Federal, later remodeled  
Architect Unknown  
Exterior wall fabric Clapboards  
Outbuildings \_\_\_\_\_  
Major alterations (with dates) extensive remodelling (late 19th century)  
storefronts altered (20th century)  
Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Approx. acreage 4,713 sq. ft.  
Setting in Newburyport's central business district adjacent to the Pleasant Street Industrial Area.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

This building was originally built as a three story Federal house resembling so many built in Newburyport during the early nineteenth century. The house was extensively remodeled during the late nineteenth century. At that time the bay windows were probably added in the second story. The storefronts may also have been put in at this time but they have been updated in this century.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

This building was built early in the nineteenth century. At that time the Federal style predominated and was built in most of Newburyport's neighborhoods. The earliest owner of this building that has been documented is Isaac Bradley. Bradley owned the building in 1851 and his wife owned it in 1872.

Bradley was a seraphine maker and probably had his workshop and his business in this house, as well as his residence.

In 1902 J. Gilbert Walker was the owner of the building. In 1912 Walker sold it to William E. Lunt and William T. Lunt of the insurance firm, Chase and Lunt. By this time the building housed several businesses.

Today the building is occupied by a grocer, a card shop, and an insurance company.

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